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SUBJ: FLN CALLS FOR MEETING OF PARTIES

BEGIN SUMMARY. IN RESPONSE TO "MEMOIR" TO FLN FROM UNFP
SECRETARY GENERAL ABDALLAH IBRAHIM IN WHICH HE GIVES
MOROCCAN VIEW OF SAHARAN AFFAIR, FLN HAS PROPOSED CONFERENCE
OF MAGHREB POLITICAL PARTIES IN ALGIERS TO DISCUSS SAHARAN
ISSUES. END SUMMARY.

1. IBRAHIM MEMOIR STATES MOROCCAN CASE AND NOTES THAT "UNFP
BELIEVES CONSEQUENCES COULD BE DISASTROUS IF ALGERIAN
GOVERNMENT MAINTAINS ITS PRESENT POSITION."

2. IBRAHIM ALSO:

A. DESCRIBES ALGERIAN POSITION AS "FULL OF TERGIVERSATIONS
AND CONTRADICTIONS WHICH LINK IT TO SPAIN AND HOBBLE MOROCCO."

B. ALLEGES ALGERIA ORGANIZING SPANISH SAHARAN FORCE
LOYAL TO IT SO THAT ALGERIA CAN HAVE FORCE IN SAHARA AS
BRITISH HAD IN PALESTINE IN 1947;

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C. NOTES "ALGERIAN POSITION...SEEMS TO SOME TO BE
HAGGLING OVER TINDOUF."

3. ASIDE FROM A FEW CRACKS, SUCH AS MEMOIR "RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT THE QUALITY AND OBJECTIVITY OF INFORMATION FURNISHED TO MOROCCAN PEOPLE," ALGERIAN APPROACH HAS BEEN TO CONTINUE OSTENTATIOUSLY TO TAKE THE HIGHROAD. EXTENSIVE COMMENTARIES HAVE STRESSED "RESPONSIBILITY," "REGIONAL STABILITY," "DIALOGUE," AND "REFUSAL TO INTOXICATE PUBLIC OPINION." THEY REITERATE FAMILIAR SUPPORT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION, ONE NOTING THAT "IF THE SAHAROUIS ARE MOROCCAN, WHY WOULD THEY FAIL TO SAY SO WITH PRIDE IF THEY HAD THE CHANCE? IF THEY WISH TO BE MAURITANIAN, WHAT IS THE PROBLEM WITH LETTING THEM CHOOSE FREELY?" KEY, ACCORDING TO ONE COMMENTARY, IS SELF-DETERMINATION "EITHER BY UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE OR BY INTERMEDIARY OF AUTHENTIC AND DULY QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVES."

4. WHILE NOTING "UNJUST REMARKS" OF IBRAHIM, FLN LEADERSHIP QUOTED AS CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS INITIATIVE IN ESTABLISHING DIRECT APPROACH AND DIALOGUE BETWEEN PARTIES. FLN, STATING THAT IT "CONSIDERS IBRAHIM COMMENTARY AS FORMAL INVITATION" TO DISCUSS SAHARAN ISSUES FURTHER, THUS HAS INVITED SECRETARY GENERALS OF UNFP, ISTAGLAL, AND PARTI DU PEUPLE MAURITANIEN TO MEET IN ALGIERS IN NEAR FUTURE TO ESTABLISH "DEMOCRATIC AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE."

5. COMMENT: ALGERIANS CONTINUING TO ADHERE TO RELATIVELY MODERATE PUBLIC RESPONSE TO MOROCCAN VERBAL HARASSMENT, THOUGH SARCASM, SUCH AS REFERENCE TO FLN APPRECIATION OF "JUSTE VALEUR" OF IBRAHIM MEMOIR, SOMETIMES SHOWS THROUGH. TURNING OF OTHER ALGERIAN CHEEK BY TREATING IBRAHIM COMMENTARY AS A "FORMAL INVITATION" TO DISCUSS ISSUES WOULD APPEAR SOUND TACTICAL STROKE TO FURTHER RECOGNITION OF ALGERIAN INTERESTED PARTY STATUS AND ACCEPTANCE OF PRINCIPLE OF CONSULTATIONS AMONG THREE CONCERNED MAGHREB STATES. AS MOROCCANS BALKING AT SUCH RECOGNITION AND ACCEPTANCE AT GOVERNMENT LEVEL, ALGERIANS NOW APPEAR TO BE TRYING PARTY ROUTE.
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